

**FISCAL MEMORANDUM
HB 2819 – SB 2908**

April 16, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (015883, 016451): Requires only licensed child placing agencies, licensed clinical social workers or lawyers advertise, accept clients for a fee or provide other services relating to placing children for adoption. Perspective adoptive parents are authorized to advertise. Requires out-of-state agencies, social workers and lawyers be authorized to do business in Tennessee under respective licensing laws and policies to advertise adoption services and maintain a physical office within the state or incur expenses involved in the transportation of a licensing consultant to the agency's closest available office.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- Any cost associated with licensing additional agencies can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- Any agency seeking licensure will pay an application fee resulting in an increase in revenue which is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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